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Labor Council To Probe Phony Shingling Jobs

So-called "fly by night" salesmen who are trying to sell property owners in the Salinas area on the idea of using a new patented shingle on roofs are facing a full investigation by the Central Labor Union of Monterey County, according to A. J. Clark, secretary.

Clark said that a full-scale campaign will be launched to warn the public against outside contractors or those posing as contractors who offer such installations of building work at unusually low rates. Cooperation of the Chamber of Commerce and contractor associations in the area will be enlisted.

The situation was told to the council by Harvey Baldwin, business agent of Carpenters Union 925, who said reports of shingling work by non-union crews have been checked and the outside contractors and their solicitation traced.

Business at the council meeting of Sept. 7 included:

Obligation by Fred Clayson, presiding officer, of D. Phillips as new delegate from Carpenters 925.

Announcement that Teachers Union 1020 will resume meetings on Sept. 19.

Report by Secretary Clark on new progress in fund-raising by the county industrial promotion committee.

SPECIAL NOTICE CARPENTERS 925

TO ALL MEMBERS OF SALINAS CARPENTERS UNION 925—

The annual picnic outing of Local 925 will be held at Millers Lodge Camp at Arroyo Seco on Sunday (Sept. 23). To reach the camp, drive south on Highway 101 past Soledad two miles and turn to the right on the Arroyo Seco highway.

All members and their families are invited to attend. All family groups should supply their own picnic baskets. The union will furnish coffee, soda pop and ice cream. There will be games and entertainment for all, with festivities starting at 11:30 a.m.

WILLIAM BARR, Committee Chairman.

Take care of your health and your union—your best friends.



CARPENTERS: Frank Duffy, grand old man of labor and General Secretary Emeritus after more than 47 years of service to the AFL Brotherhood of Carpenters, is shown above with M. A. Hutcheson, First General Vice-President of the Brotherhood, center, and Albert E. Fischer, General Secretary, on right.

LABOR PLANS BIG TESTIMONIAL FOR JAMES T. MANN, RETIRING VETERAN WATSONVILLE UNIONIST

James T. Mann, prominent building trades leader of Santa Cruz County who is retiring after 37 years as representative for Watsonville Carpenters Union 771 and other labor groups, will be honored at a testimonial dinner at Loma Linda, near Watsonville, on the night of Friday, November 2.

Plans for the testimonial dinner have been discussed for several weeks but announcement was withheld until the plans won the official support of the Watsonville Central Labor Council last week.

While many details of arrangements must still be worked out, the committee in charge said that speakers would be on hand to pay due tribute to the veteran trade unionist, after which the dinner and dance would be offered.

Because of limited capacity of the hall, only about 200 persons will be seated in the Loma Linda banquet room, although another 100 may be seated in an adjoining hall which will be opened to the banquet room. Tickets have been priced tentatively at \$4, which will include the \$3.50 dinner and taxes.

Arrangements are being made by a special committee appointed by the Watsonville Council, including Council Secretary Hazel K. Shireman; Mildred Rowe, secretary of Culinary-Bartenders 345; John Malsbury, president of Painters 750, and Ray Beck, business agent of Motion Picture Operators 611. Further committeemen will be announced later, along with added details on the dinner plans and program.

Mann, who recently observed his



JAMES T. MANN

69th birthday, is a boyhood schoolmate of President Harry S. Truman and the President's wife, Bess Wallace, also was in their classes, along with Charles Ross, the President's personal secretary. All were born and raised in Independence, Mo.

At the age of 17, Mann became a carpenter, joining Local 4 of Kansas City. In 1911 he moved to Watsonville. He married in 1903 and his wife, Maye, and their daughter, Mildred, are well known in Watsonville for their cordiality and congeniality.

Thirty-six years ago, Mann was named business agent for Local 771 and has served continuously since that date. Years ago he assisted in the organization of the Watsonville labor council and he has been a trustee and delegate since. He also was vice president of the California State Building Trades Council for nearly 20 years.

Very active in civic and community affairs, Mann is active in apprenticeship training, as a selective service board member, as a director of the Watsonville Chamber of Commerce, and in countless other capacities. Old and new residents of Watsonville have learned to contact "Jim Mann" when they want a labor man to coordinate any activities.

The way to climb is to keep on the level.

A.F.L. Convention Maps No. 1 Task; Clean Up Congress

Organized Labor, carrying the burden and the voice of the overwhelming majority of America's citizens, workers, and consumers, must be heeded by the government-business clique now running the country if national unity—keystone of defense—is to be welded in these crucial days.

That will be the warning coming out of the historic 70th AFL assembly now convening in San Francisco.

Though we will witness no mad scramble of TV, radio, and newsmen to catch every whisper, as at last week's Japanese Treaty conference here, the voice of 8,000,000 workers and their families will be heard in the year ahead—at the ballot box, silently, if in no other way.

The convention "will take sweeping action to secure a housecleaning of Congress," said AFL Pres. Wm. Green. "We are determined to break the aggressive power of the Tory coalition in Congress in the American way. At a time when all Americans feel the call to respond to the nation's needs and to sacrifice together for the common defense, the coalition of reactionary Republicans and Dixiecrats in Congress is following the policy of soaking the poor and sparing the rich. The AFL will take courageous action against the enemies of democracy who threaten our security."

Labor unity, labor representation in government, adequate price controls, provision for adequate wage increases, an international program to halt the spread of communism, and the customary problems of a growing labor movement are important subjects on the 70th's agenda.

Outstanding leaders will address the convention, including Secretary of Labor Tobin, Secretary of Interior Chapman, Federal Security Administrator Oscar Ewing, Legion Commander Erle Coker, Gov. Sidney McMath of Arkansas, Presidential Assistant W. Averell Harriman, Price Administrator DiSalle, and Production Administrator Fleischmann.

President Truman will send a message to the convention.

Present plans call for recessing during the week, on Wednesday or Thursday, to meet as the national committee of Labor's League for Political Education to draw up plans for the important 1952 political campaign.

Pre-convention meetings include the Metal Trades, Building Trades, Union Label Trades, and Labor Press conventions during the first

week, plus many district and national gatherings of international unions. A number of entertainment features have been arranged for delegates and their guests.

HENRY FENCHEL TAKEN BY DEATH

Pioneer in the tailoring trade in Salinas and resident of Salinas for 61 years, Henry Fenchel, father of Randolph Fenchel, president of the Labor Temple Association and past president of Laborers Union 272, passed away early last Friday after a long illness.

Death came to the 80-year-old tailor in his sleep at the family home, 110 Buena Vista St. He had been ill for about two years. Funeral arrangements were under direction of Struve & Laporte, time not set at this writing.

Mr. Fenchel was a native of Hessen, Germany. He had opened his tailor shop in 1906.

Besides Randolph Fenchel, who is superintendent at the Salinas Sewage Treatment Plant, survivors include the widow, Mrs. Louise Fenchel; two daughters, Mrs. Lorraine Foster and Mrs. Hilda Seassons; a sister, in Germany; 11 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

No Sardines!

Monterey's well known Cannery Row isn't doing so much this sardine season, union officials admit. Some plants are putting up tuna or anchovies, but the sardine pack which was expected to make this a big year just hasn't materialized. Rough seas have hit fishing in the reef-filled waters near Morro Bay and no sardines have been found in local waters.

Washington (LPA) — Surgeon General Leonard A. Scheele warned all health officials to be on the alert for possible outbreaks of malaria carried home by GIs returning from Korea.



SHEET METAL WORKERS

A. H. Cronin, vice-president Sheet Metal Workers International Union; Frank Burk, business representative San Francisco Sheet Metal Workers Local 104 and member of Sheet Metal Workers' delegation to the A. F. L. Convention; Frank Bonadio, International Organizer with the Sheet Metal Workers' delegation; Tom Roberts, business agent, Sheet Metal Workers Local 104.



Secretary C. J. Haggerty of California State Federation of Labor, center, extends convention greetings to A. F. Mailloux, left, business representative of S.F. Building Trades Council and secretary of S.F. Iron Workers 377, and "Blackie" Woods, right, Iron Workers' international vice-president.

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BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Sec. Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633; Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4638.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. Pres., William K. Grubbs, 76 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove, Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, phone 2-3002; Monterey office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6744.

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SHEET METAL WORKERS 904—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsep, Pacific Grove, phone Monterey 2-3925; Rec. Sec., Ray Kabbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek, phone 9274; Bus. Rep., East St., Salinas, phone 9274; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

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THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets 1st Tuesday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 9:30 a.m. Pres., Shedo Russo, 457 Clay St., Monterey, ph. 2-4472; Rec. Sec., A. H. Finley, ph. Salinas 2-2261; Fin. Sec., H. E. Packard, Box 584, Watsonville, ph. 4-5610; Bus. Agt., Ray A. Beck, 513 McKenzie St., Watsonville, ph. 4-6127.

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19 International Unions in Bldg. Trades Dept.

Representatives of some 19 international crafts attended the 44th annual convention of the AFL Building and Construction Trades Department in San Francisco this week. The unions are:

Asbestos Workers, Boilermakers, Bricklayers, Carpenters, Electrical Workers, Elevator Constructors, Operating Engineers, Granite Cutters, Iron Workers, Hod Carriers and Laborers, Lathers, Marble, Stone and Slate Polishers, etc., Painters, Plasterers and Cement Masons, Plumbers and Pipe Fitters, Roofers, Sheet Metal Workers, Journeymen Stone Cutters and Teamsters.

Affiliated internationals, on the basis of paid per capita tax, were entitled to 93 delegates.

Other affiliates of the Building and Construction Trades Department are 575 local councils and 18 state councils.

Watchmen's Union Invites New York Policemen to Join

New York (LPA)—New York's policemen have been invited to join the International Guards and Watchmen's Union, certified by the NLRB July 9 as a union, unaffiliated. The group is for guards, private detectives, watchmen, special patrolmen, "operatives," "special agents," gatemen and "all persons engaged in protection or security work," according to John A. Morris, its president.

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Lathers Hit Wage Board Pay Rulings

Recent directive from the Wage Stabilization Board stopping builders on federal jobs from paying their men more than the contract scale has hit lathers with special force, according to J. O. Dahl, secretary of the Golden Gate District Council of Lathers. Meantime, lather unions are "marking time," he said, until the directive has been further clarified.

Dahl said that some 18 journeymen lathers are losing something like \$250 a week as a result of the order. In Alameda County, where the union has some 230 members, the loss amounts to between \$12,000 and \$15,000 a month. The overall loss of the some 900 members of unions affiliated with the District Council must be considerable, he added.

As soon as the WSB order was issued, the Council contacted the International office in Cleveland and was assured that the matter would be taken up immediately with the Board.

The order concerns only lathers working on federal projects where federal funds are involved.

JOHN JOCKEL DIES

Cleveland (LPA)—John W. Jockel, secretary-treasurer of the Ohio State Conference of AFL Bricklayers since 1912, died here shortly after he had been elected to another term.

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Professors Declare Cross Filing Ought To Be Abolished

(State Fed. Release)

The Committee on Political Parties of the American Political Science Association making its forty-seventh annual convention report to the delegates, who met at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco last week, was unanimous in its recommendation that "the Abolition of Cross Filing was desirable," the Abolish Cross Filing in California Committee stated this week.

The American Political Science Association consists of the political science professors of leading colleges and universities.

Strongly favoring the American Two-Party System, Franklin L. Burdette, of the University of Maryland, said in his prepared remarks that "fortunately, Cross Filing had not spread to other States."

A roundtable devoted to discussion on "Toward a More Responsible Two-Party System" was conducted by the Committee which has published a 30,000 word report on this subject after four years of research.

The Political Science Association action followed that of the California State Federation of Labor at its 1951 convention held in San Diego August 20-23 where the state AFL organization once more condemned cross filing as a block in the road of practical democracy.

Soaring Living Costs Cut Tradesmen's Wages

Although building crafts have done a remarkable job in their effort to maintain take-home pay for workers in the past year, failure of government agencies to hold down living costs means that building tradesmen are confronted with a still further decrease in living standards.

This situation was made plain by officers of the AFL Building and Construction Trades Department at the annual convention in San Francisco.

To show the recent trend in comparative prices and wages, officers submitted this evidence:

Union wage scales in the building trades rose by 2 per cent in the second quarter of 1951, to bring the estimated total increase in such scales for the year from July 1, 1950, to June 30, 1951, to 6 to 6.5 per cent. This compared to a 4.4 per cent increase in the preceding year ending June 30, 1950, and to a 4 per cent rise in the 12 months ending June 30, 1949.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimated that the average hourly wage scale of union building tradesmen on July 2, 1951, was \$2.43. Average hours of work have remained relatively unchanged during the year, and so far there has been no indication of excessive overtime. The Council of Economic Advisors put the estimated average gross weekly earnings of building tradesmen at \$82.98 in April, 1951, which amounted to \$77.26 in terms of 1950 dollars.

Meantime, the Consumers' Price Index has gone up 8.8 per cent from June 15, 1950 to June 15, 1951, and predictions are that there will be still further increases in the coming months, when the full impact of the defense mobilization program is felt.

ON PORT BOARD

Chicago (LPA)—Wilson Frankland, local president of AFL Pipefitters, has been appointed to the new regional port district board. Frankland has been secretary of the Calumet Federated Waterways and is vice president of the Calumet Region Congress. The appointment was made by Gov. Adlai Stevenson.

Listen to Frank Edwards nightly.

Gray Hits at Weakening Apprentice Standards

That inconsistency in national policy has a tendency to weaken the apprenticeship program in the construction industry was reported by President Richard Gray to delegates at the convention of the AFL Building Trades Department convention in San Francisco. Gray declares that the Armed Services in coming months will take many of the young men now in apprentice training and many others who, under normal conditions, would enter apprenticeship.

Gray pointed out that, as of December 31, 1950, there were 101,800 registered apprentices in the various trades, and that this represented a decrease of 9,810 (8.7 per cent) as compared to December 31, 1949. He added that, under normal conditions there should be at least 225,000 construction apprentices in training at all times.

"Uncertainty as to their status under selective service will keep many young men from enrollment in the apprentice training program", said Gray. "While the Department of Commerce listed the construction industry as an 'essential activity', the lists of critical occupations which the Department of Labor has so far issued have contained few, if any, building trades occupations. For all these reasons, we can expect further declines in the number of apprentices in training.

"National, international and local building trades unions, as well as contractors and contractors' associations, are fully aware of the importance of the apprentice training program and of the dangers which threaten it, and will continue to do their best to keep it going and to expand it to meet the needs of the industry."

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EDITORIALS

Democrats Better Think Fast

It is too close to 1952 for the Democrats to dilly-dally much longer if they really are interested in being returned to power in next year's Presidential election. Democrats never have won except when they polled a very large labor vote. It was that vote which elected Franklin D. Roosevelt to his third and fourth terms, in 1940 and 1944. It was the labor vote which re-elected President Truman and gave the Democrats a majority in both houses of Congress in 1950.

Unfortunately for the Democratic Party, it has fallen down badly with labor by failing to carry out the pledges made when Truman was re-elected. The day of accounting is near at hand. That threat to all labor known as the Taft-Hartley law is still a standing menace being held in reserve to wreck our labor unions with, whenever conditions for doing just this are more favorable than they are now. In their 1948 national convention the Democrats promised that this slavery-restoring law would be repealed if they should be returned to power. Labor took them at their word, went to work to elect them, and the Democratic Party won the Presidency and a majority in both houses of Congress, but it has fallen down miserably in making good the repeal of the Taft-Hartley law and other labor pledges contained in its 1948 platform. Promises without performances are betrayals. Democrats must act fast to redeem themselves with labor.

Govt. Becomes Worst Gouger

There was a time when rapidly growing monopolies and combinations of wealth in the business world of the United States had developed methods of gouging profits out of the American people which at that time far exceeded all previous performances in that direction. The game then was to charge all the traffic would bear. Now, however, our government itself has surpassed them all in the field of gouging the American people—by taxes, licenses, and penalties of every conceivable description.

Everybody and everything are being taxed, directly or indirectly, under laws enacted by our Congress in Washington. Nor is this worst gouging Congress of all our history satisfied with what the government itself is taking. The evil Congress we now have has just passed a law which is labeled a price control law, but which in reality is a price boosting law enabling profiteers to raise prices methodically and legally. This law was passed at the very time when an outraged American public had been clamoring since the Korean war started June 25, 1950, for our government to stop further price increases.

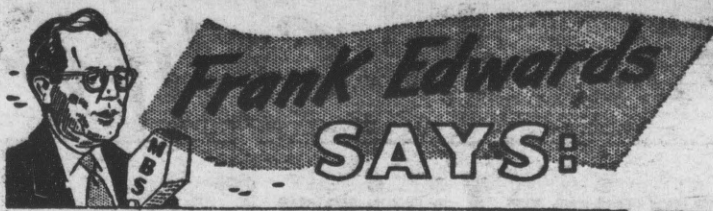
As a result of this profiteering legislation, retail prices in the United States increased, on an average, nearly one per cent during August 1951 over the previous record-breaking high price levels already existing. On top of such direct gouging by the profiteers themselves, this worst of all Congresses has just voted over sixty billion dollars for war and slush funds, which we will be taxed heavily to pay. Present fiscal year's taxes promise to exceed one hundred billion dollars.

Movies at Low Ebb

It is reported that attendance at movies is falling off to such an extent that many are going out of business and others are having great difficulty in continuing in operation. Some blame television, but the chances are that by far the chief cause for this slump in attendance at movies is the deplorably low level to which this form of amusement has sunk.

How many thousands and millions of good American citizens are there not in these United States, who have practically quit going to what has been dished out in our movies of recent years? Why? About all they ever had presented to them consisted of plays that bristled with murder scenes, crime episodes, sex excesses, until an average human being developed such a nausea for what they were getting that they quit attending such inferior shows.

Some of these same disgusting scenes are being reproduced on the television setups of today, but many features televised are a big improvement on modern movies. A wonderful opportunity is now within the grasp of television producers to cut out the lower types of movies in their hookups and replace these with educational scenes supplying inspiring suggestions and examples worth following. Television has the chance now to help raise the educational and moral standards of its programs above the low plane of today's movies.



Washington, D. C.

Sweet But Not Cheap . . .

Without fanfare and almost without publicity the Grab Bag boys have eased through Congress a huge handout for the big sugar interests. This benefits only 85,000 plantation owners out of the nation's 6 million farms, but it gives to those sugar raisers subsidies that are incredibly lush. The American taxpayer has been bled for \$900 million in subsidies to sugar planters since 1934. That is as much as we have spent for supporting the price of all other commodities combined. This will once again put you in the position of paying millions of dollars for the privilege of paying more for the sugar you buy . . . the two-way stretch.

Whose Taxes Will You Pay? . . .

The Senate Finance Committee, which designs and executes the tax loopholes for the big money interests, is running true to form. A \$760-million-a-year plum was handed corporations in tax reductions. The Senate group also refused to tax dividend payments at the source . . . as wages are taxed. For years, the Treasury has maintained that millions of dollars of taxes are evaded each year by individuals who receive dividends but fail to include them as income. The corporations' gain is Mr. Taxpayer's loss!

Teachers Like to Live, Too . . .

Politicians of Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tenn., are getting a much-needed lesson . . . from their schoolteachers. Schoolteachers said they would not teach in the county schools until some provision for regular payment of salaries was made.

The Chattanooga Free Press said the teachers didn't seem to be devoted to their high calling. Correction: Your schoolteachers are devoted to their high calling; they are not devoted to their low salaries. No doubt the schoolteachers in Hamilton County will go to work for free the same day that the Chattanooga Free Press starts printing its advertising for nothing.

Votes, Dollars, and Taft . . .

Senate investigators at long last are going to examine Senator Taft's 1950 campaign. They have before them reports from Taft's campaign headquarters that more than \$2 million was spent to keep him in office. They now want to know how much was really spent . . . who was responsible for the anti-Catholic propaganda . . . and who put up the millions to keep Taft in a job that pays only a fraction of that amount.

AFL BLOCKING THE MILLIONAIRES' BILL

Washington.—The AFL threw a big road bloc in the path of the campaign to repeal the Federal Income Tax Amendment (16th) and substitute a provision limiting federal income taxes to 25 per cent.

George Riley, legislative representative, told the AFL Executive Council that the AFL campaign of opposition by state federations began last spring when 25 states had approved the so-called "Millionaires' Amendment."

Approval by only 32 states was needed to put the amendment through by a constitutional convention—a device unused since the Constitution was written.

Mr. Riley said that as a result of AFL state federations' actions state legislatures repealed or governors vetoed the "Millionaires' Amendment" in so many states that the amendment now has the approval of only 14 states.

These are Delaware, Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Utah and Wyoming.

The campaign to repeal the 16th Amendment has been under way by the American Taxpayers Association for 15 years. Only "Labor," the railroad brotherhoods' weekly newspaper, had fought to halt the re-

peal drive until the AFL took up the cudgels.

The National Administration took no position openly to oppose the repeal of the federal income tax, which would be replaced by a national sales tax hitting the low-income groups hardest.

State Fed. Pres. Attends Mexican Labor Conference

(State Fed. Release)

Thomas L. Pitts, president of the California State Federation of Labor, represented the State AFL organization last week in El Paso, Texas, where a conference was called of representatives of the AFL state federations of California, Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona to discuss the importation of Mexican farm workers.

The meeting was called by AFL President William Green and was a follow-up of a series of conferences held last March and April, with spokesmen of the Mexican Confederation of Labor and its affiliates.

In sending his call to the four state federations concerned, Green suggested that they adopt policies dealing with migratory labor agreements, "wetback" labor, enforcement of immigration laws, control of workers entering border cities legally and illegally for daily work, and consideration of establishing pacts with the free trade unions of the Republic of Mexico.

AFL Farm Workers Meet in Salinas

(State Fed. Release)

The first annual convention of the California locals of the National Farm Labor Union will be held in Salinas, Sept. 14 and 15, with organization of the state's 250,000 farm workers listed as the Number One point of business.

Convention sessions will be held in the Moose Hall on Monterey street, according to Vice President Hank Hasiwar.



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Many Federal government employees are now covered under the OASI program. Federal employees were specifically excluded from coverage prior to 1951, but the 1950 amendments to the Social Security Act extended coverage to certain Federal government workers beginning Jan. 1, 1951.

This newly covered group includes those who have temporary or indefinite appointments and who are not under the civil service retirement system, employees of national farm loan associations, Federal credit unions, Federal Reserve Banks, county and community committees under the Production and Marketing Administration, and employees of production credit associations.

Wage credits earned in covered Federal employment will be added to any social security credits previously earned by working in private industry. This will enable many workers to continue building their social security account, despite a shift from private to Federal employment.

The 1950 amendments also brought other groups under Social Security coverage for the first time. Among these are the self-employed (except for certain professional people), regularly employed farm workers, and regularly employed household workers. In addition, certain non-profit organizations may become covered on a voluntary basis, and state and local government groups may be brought under the law if they are not already under a retirement system, and if the state agrees to cover them.

Easier qualification requirements and increased benefit payments were among the other advantages in the new law. Benefits now range from a minimum of \$20 a month to a maximum family payment of \$150 per month. A person between the age of 65 and 75 may now accept his social security benefit while earning as much as \$50 a month in covered employment. After age 75, he may accept the benefit payment regardless of the amount of his earnings.

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JUST RIGHT—NBC Star Jane Morgan seems to have the proper qualifications for TV acting. She appears in "The Girl from Paris" (LPA).

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Labor Backing Fight to Kill P.G. Sales Tax

Leaders of key unions in the Monterey area have thrown full support to the move in Pacific Grove to kill the new sales tax which is scheduled to go into effect on Oct. 1. Initiative petitions to bring the tax before the voters for approval or rejection will be circulated.

Labor union officials are active on a Citizens Committee against the tax and the Building Trades Council, Central Labor Council, Fish Cannery Workers Union, Culinary-Bartenders Union, Laborers Union and others have gone on record in opposition to the tax.

James Dunn, Pacific Grove business man, is spearheading the campaign against the tax and said formal notice has been filed with the city clerk of intention to circulate petitions for repeal of the tax. A repeal ordinance was filed with the city also.

Circulation of the petitions will be launched at a "kickoff breakfast" at Forest Hill Hotel in Pacific Grove on Sept. 29, with labor unions, leading merchants and businessmen joining in the petition effort. Many volunteers have offered assistance.

Under the law the repeal ordinance is filed with the city and a 21-day wait is necessary before petition circulation is started. Petitions must get 15 per cent of registered voters who voted in the last election to qualify. The city council, upon receipt of the petitions, can adopt the repeal ordinance or must call a special election on the subject matter no longer than 60 days later, Dunn said.

The cities of Carmel and Monterey have adopted sales taxes also. In Carmel, a similar move for repeal of the tax is being started. No such move has been reported in Monterey.

Union leaders who have been active in the sales tax repeal campaign, as well as the campaign to prevent enactment of the tax ordinance in the three cities, include Royal E. Hallmark, secretary of Culinary-Bartenders 483; Harry Foster, secretary of the Building Trades Council; Andy Butrica, secretary of the Central Labor Council and also of Laborers 270; Roy Humbracht, secretary, and Lester A. Caveny, of the Fish Cannery Workers Union, and others.

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LABORER WORK IN SALINAS AREA SHOWING GAINS

Employment opportunities for members of Laborers Union 272 of Salinas have shown a substantial gain in the past week and have absorbed most of the unemployment list of the union, according to Wray D. Empe, union business agent.

Empe listed the jobs as including:

Concrete pour has been started on the Frederickson-Watson highway construction project on Highway 101 south of Salinas.

Thirty laborers have been called by Lyles Construction Company of Avenal to start work on the gas pipe line from King City to Salinas, this job postponed several weeks by lack of materials.

Sewer work in Laurel Park No. 2, north of Salinas, was started by Beeson & Taylor Company of Santa Ana, 20 men called for about three months of work.

Curbs, gutters and street work have been started in Laurel Park No. 2 by George Augustua, Salinas contractor.

The Granite Construction Company street project in Hollister is in full operation.

George Fisk, Salinas contractor, is making progress on a county agriculture building on Romie Lane in Salinas.

Stone & Webster Corporation has called for more laborers for the P. G. & E. project at Moss Landing.

FARM WORKERS HOLD CONFAB AT SALINAS

First state convention of agricultural workers in California was held last week end under auspices of the National Farm Labor Union Council.

H. L. Mitchell, president of the NFLU, was speaker at the opening sessions and told the 50 delegates of conditions for farm workers in the state and nation and discussed wage matters.

Officers elected to conduct the convention included William Becker of Bakersfield, chairman; Carl Lara of Salinas, assistant chairman; William Swearington of Fresno, secretary; Mike Soto of Soledad, assistant secretary, and Ray Lopez of Soledad, sergeant-at-arms.

The convention was expected to act on resolutions condemning importation of Mexican Nationals for farm labor work in the state and also to consider strike action by tomato pickers to gain increase in rates per box.

Full report of the convention was made difficult for the labor press when its representative was denied admission to the hall and could not contact officers for detailed information.

LABORER CHIEF AT DIST. MEET

Joseph V. Moreschi, international president of the Laborers Union, and Peter Fosco, international secretary-treasurer, were visitors at the Northern California District Council of Laborers monthly session in San Francisco last Saturday.

The union's top officials were in San Francisco for the American Federation of Labor convention, which opened Monday.

Delegates from unions in this area to the district meeting include R. Fenchel, W. D. Empe and J. F. Mattos, of Salinas Local 272; S. M. Thomas of Monterey Laborers 270; Paul Burnett, of Santa Cruz Laborers 283, and others.

Regulations issued by the Wage Stabilization Board permit pay increases under certain limitations.

Carp. Council Studies Mill Stamp Usage

Meeting in Watsonville, the Monterey Bay Area District Council of Carpenters devoted most of its regular session on Sept. 11 to discussion of problems connected with organization of mill workers and of inducing mill operators to place the union stamp on all mill work.

Harvey Baldwin, president of the district council, said that a mill in Santa Cruz has signed a union contract and that elections will be held in other mills of the area shortly. Mills in other areas of the council are already union in most cases.

The council voted to send a letter to the Carpenters' international union asking assistance in getting the mills to stamp all products.

Baldwin pointed out that when mill work without the union stamp appears in most areas, the business agent of the union of carpenters who have to install the mill work must take time and trouble to trace the work to make sure it is fabricated by union millmen, whereas placing the stamp on the work will save time for contractor and union members.

New by-laws of the carpenter council have been printed and will be distributed to delegates at the next meeting in amounts according to membership of affiliated unions, Baldwin said.

Watsonville Carpenters Union 771 was host to the district council at its meeting last week. Next meeting will be Oct. 9 in the Santa Cruz Veterans Hall.

Rescue Mission Deserves Help, Baldwin States

The Rescue Mission in Salinas is doing a great job for the needy and deserves all possible assistance, financial and otherwise, from Organized Labor, according to Harvey Baldwin, business agent of Carpenters Union 925, in a report to the labor council in Salinas last week.

Baldwin explained that the Rescue Mission now is under different management, new operators being Mr. and Mrs. Ben Franklin, who have had 40 years of social work experience, including service with the U. S. and the Salvation Army. The mission is a local concern, with no connection with outside sources of revenue.

This year the mission, located at 325 North Main street, Salinas, is again listed as a Community Chest agency, Baldwin said. Baldwin is labor council delegate to the executive board of the Rescue Mission.

During August, first month under direction of the Franklins, the mission served 810 meals, provided 512 lodgings, supplies, clothing or shoes in 470 instances, received 232 applications for direct aid, found jobs for 11 persons, at a total expense of \$109.62, Baldwin said. The mission receives \$50 a month for its work.

Baldwin urged all union officials and members who may be interested to pay a visit to the mission to inspect its facilities and operations.

FARM UNION RAISE

Fresno, Calif. (LPA)—The AFL National Farm Labor Union won a 10 percent raise over 1950 rates for raisin pickers in an agreement with the Raisin Growers Protective Association which provides that the union will supply skilled pickers upon a 7-day notice. Workers obtained 5½ cents a tray compared to 5 cents last year.

Why Not Check Your Schools?

Washington.—The AFL and its affiliated American Federation of Teachers have condemned repeatedly the use of the schools for anti-labor purposes.

Both the National Association of Manufacturers and the Chamber of Commerce of the United States are busily engaged in this technique, striking through influential local business men.

George Hampel Jr., editor, Wisconsin AFL Federationist, describing these techniques, points out that organized labor was the earliest champion of good public schools but that it has not yet become seriously enough concerned about the content of education.

Central Labor Unions might check on the activities of their local school boards to see if the story of labor is being presented. As Mr. Hampel asserts, labor does not want its views propagandized among the youngsters; it only wants its story told, too.

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U.S. Plans Hospitalization Insurance for Aged by 1953

Swampscott, Mass. (LPA)—Plans to provide hospitalization insurance by 1953 for recipients of federal old age and survivors benefits were explained by Federal Security Administrator Oscar R. Ewing at a welfare conference here.

The new benefits would cover hospitalization for up to 60 days a year for about 7 million people, Ewing told the Northeastern Regional Conference of the American Public Welfare Association Sept. 6.

Of these, 5½ million would be people over 65 now receiving social security benefits or eligible, but not yet drawing them because they are still working. The remaining million and a half covered would be widows, children and others receiving survivors' benefits.

BIG NEED, CAN'T AFFORD IT

Ewing pointed out that these are "people with more than average need for hospital care and less than average ability to pay for it." Even if they could afford it, Ewing said, most of these people could not get private insurance because of age or because most private policies are on a group basis available mostly to wage earners.

Ewing said the cost of the benefits, about \$200 million a year, can be taken care of with no increase in present social security payments. If the same amount were distributed in cash benefits, he said, each recipient would get only about \$3 a month, which would be of little help in meeting emergencies. He pointed out that the average hospital stay for people over 65 costs as much as their benefit checks for five or six months.

STATE HEALTH AGENCIES

Doctors' bills would not be covered by the plan, but hospitals and welfare agencies would be relieved of the financial burden of having to carry the expense of hospital care for so many families unable to meet the heavy cost of illness, Ewing said.

The plan would be administered through the states, generally by the already established public health agency of the state, he said. Administration would not cost more than 5 percent of the cost of the benefit, compared with the 10 to 40 percent administrative costs of nonprofit and commercial policies.

Ewing said that since the plan was first proposed in June, his office has received "a constant stream of letters, especially from older people, expressing the hope that the new plan will go through." Many of them, he said, are from people who have worked all their lives, but still do not have the security they need in their old age.

Whether you are an optimist or a pessimist depends on which end of the telescope you use to look at life.



Electrical Workers 6 played a prominent part in pre-conventions of both the Building Trades Department and Metal Trades Department in San Francisco this week. Above is a picture taken at the Metal Trades meet: (left to right) William Jebe of S. F. Patternmakers, Joseph Ziff of Electrical Workers 6, and Dan W. Tracy, president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.



L. to R.: Standing in front of the Housing Exhibit at the Building Trades session, John Beard, Ex. Sec. Housing Authority; Housing Commissioner Lloyd Wilson and Vice-President of the S. F. Housing Authority and S. F. Housing Commissioner Al Mailloux. Al is also business representative for the S. F. Building Trades.

Building Industry Is Threatened—Gray

Although the "industry as a whole has shown remarkable strength despite the drastic restrictions to which it has been subjected . . . we would be unrealistic, however, if we shut our eyes to the fact that as things are going now, the industry is threatened with a great let-down, if not stagnation, within the next year or two."

This was the statement made by Richard J. Gray, president of the AFL Building and Construction Trades Department, in his report to the convention in San Francisco. Continued Gray:

"Because construction is the first phase of the defense program and must be completed before the program can get fully under way, there is always the tendency in a situation like the present to push construction at a very rapid rate, and then permit the industry to sit idle. This is what happened in World War II. In 1942 we turned out a record volume of construction, but by 1944 the industry was only partially employed, and that condition continued during the war."

"Already the restrictions which have been imposed upon construction have begun to cause serious dislocations and strains in the industry, and the question of what is to happen in the industry and all employed in it within the next two years becomes more serious each day. We have tried, and will continue to try, to get the Administration to work with representatives of all segments in the in-

dustry in an attempt to work out now the steps to be taken to prevent future dislocation and disuse."

"As a matter of fact, there are already signs of strain and dislocation in the industry. Here and there throughout the country have already appeared a few danger spots where housing and other non-defense construction has come to a practical standstill, and no defense construction has taken place. Men are having to leave such places and go to other localities in which defense work is under way, and we can expect much more of this as the restrictions bite deeper into the industry."

"The problem is the longer term one of what is going to happen to building and construction in the next two or three years, when defense construction is completed. Unless we have more careful planning and scheduling of both defense and non-defense work, we are headed straight for the same kind of situation which developed in World War II. In 1942 we did \$13.5 billion of new construction and well over two million men were at work. But by 1944 new construction had fallen to \$4 billion and only one million men were employed. Present estimates of the Office of Defense Mobilization are that the volume of construction in 1952 will be not more than 80 per cent of that in 1950."

AMARILLO SEEKS ATOMIC POLL

Amarillo, Tex.—A new Atomic Trades and Labor Council has been created at Amarillo for the purpose of bargaining for the many trades and the contractors with the Atomic Energy installations at Amarillo.

An application for charter for the Atomic Trades and Labor Council was made August 20, to the Metal Trades Dept. of the A. F. of L.

An active organizing campaign among the employees of this plant has been launched, and an election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board has been requested.

Listen to Frank Edwards nightly.

Murray Will Stay As CIO President Until Next Year

Pittsburgh (LPA)—CIO President Philip Murray, yielding to pleas from top CIO officials, has agreed to stay on for at least another year. Murray, 65, informed the CIO's vice-presidents recently he would like to step down at the CIO's convention beginning in New York, Nov. 5. He said he would like to devote full time to the Steelworkers, of which he also is president, and added his health had not been up to par for some time. Murray has been president of the CIO since 1940, when John L. Lewis quit after promising he would if President Roosevelt were reelected.

The best reason for keeping your temper is that nobody else wants any part of it.

Union Funerals

In Pittsburgh, Pa., the prospect of union funerals improved as the AFL Teamsters launched a campaign to organize hearse drivers, funeral-limousine chauffeurs, and flower truck drivers. The local union president declared that he would insist on a no-strike clause in any contract.

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ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Sekols, 701 Ocean View, Pacific Grove; Sec. and B. A., Fred O. Davis, 240 Plateau Ave., S. Cruz, phone 4330-R.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alston, P. O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 2-3825; Rec. Sec., Ray Kaibai, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec., Ray Oester, 924 East St., Salinas, phone 9274; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

TEACHERS 1020—Meets on call. Pres., Don Thompson, 416 Park, Salinas; V. Pres., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson, Monterey; Sec., Fred Clayton, 70 Robley Rd., Salinas, ph. 3045.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets 1st Tuesday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 9:30 p.m. Pres., Shedo Russo, 457 Clay St., Monterey, ph. 2-4472; Rec. Sec., A. H. Finley, ph. Salinas 2-2261; Fin. Sec., H. E. Packard, Bx. 584, Watsonville, ph. 4-5610; Bus. Agt., Ray A. Beck, 513 McKenzie St., Watsonville, ph. 4-6127.

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Auto Price Hikes Example of "Controls" At Your Expense

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Local 483 Reports

"FEED THE PIG!"

Response to the suggestion that refreshments be served after night meetings of Culinary-Bartenders Union, 483 henceforth has been so great that a "piggy bank" has been placed on the counter at the office to accept donations for the refreshment fund.

A sign attached to the "pig" reads:

"This pig is being fattened in order that we may be able to have a union social after the union meetings at night on the first Wednesday of each month.

"We expect to serve beer, ginger ale, sandwiches and coffee. We want to get card tables and possibly an old juke box in good condition.

"Of course, the fat from this pig is to be used for the entertainment of our members only and at the union hall only.

Royal E. Hallmark, Secy."

Secretary Hallmark has had a meeting with the proprietresses of the Park Drive in an effort to gain a union contract. Good progress was made and a meeting of employees of the drive-in was

AFL to Eye Beef on Rail Maintenance

An issue of great interest to all building and construction trades crafts to be presented at the convention of the American Federation of Labor is the matter of jurisdiction on new construction as between the Building and Construction Department and the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees.

AFL President William Green recently wrote Richard J. Gray, president of the department that the AFL Executive Council, at its meeting in Montreal, ruled that the jurisdictional dispute be referred to the S. F. convention, and that "efforts be put forth to have a committee created by action of the convention to take up the dispute . . ." This committee is slated to report to the convention and make recommendations in the matter.

The Maintenance of Way Employees have been doing new construction work, such as a warehouse for the Missouri Pacific Railroad in St. Louis, Mo. Building trades contend that this is not railroad "maintenance" work, but constitutes an invasion of their jurisdiction.

The Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act sets an age minimum of 16 for boys and 18 for girls working on government contract goods.

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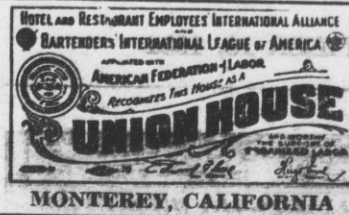
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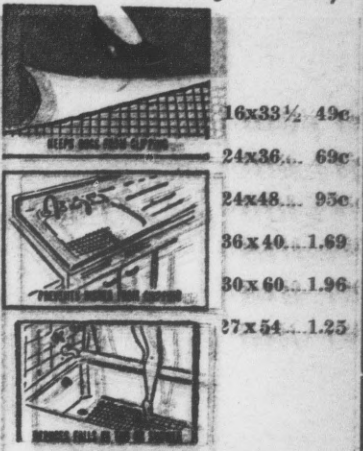
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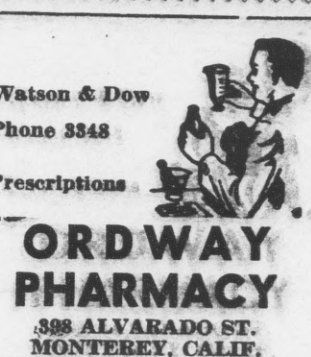
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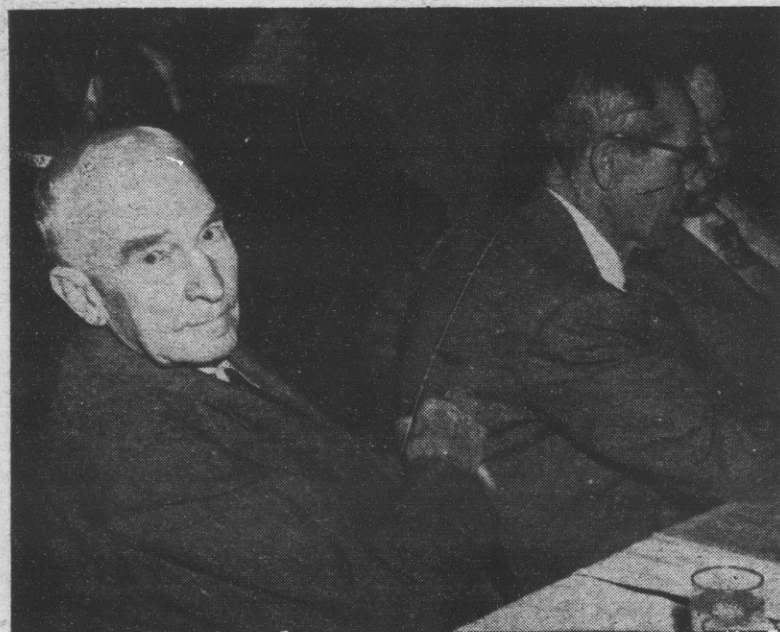
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Labor News

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1951



L. to R.: Dan Del Carlo, secy.-treas., S. F. Building Trades Council; Joseph V. Moreschi, president of the Hod Carriers' Building and Common Laborers Union of America, and Joe Murphy, intl. repr. of the Hod Carriers and Laborers and vice-president, board of publishers, of "Organized Labor."



A GREAT GUY, Joe Marshall, former First Vice-President of the Intl. Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers of America. On the right and not looking at the camera is Tony D'Andero, President of the District Council of Laborers, from Chicago.



L. to r.: Intl. Union Representatives Abe Muir, Carpenters; Earl Cook, Sheet Metal Workers; Joe Cambiano, Don Cameron and M. A. Hutcheson, all with the Carpenters.



L. to R.: Lloyd Mashburn, representative of the Los Angeles Building Trades Council; Al Williams, repr. Phoenix Building Trades Council; Don Cameron, Intl. Repr. of the Carpenters Union; O. William Blaier, Construction Industry Stabilizer Committee man and member of the General Executive Board of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

Clark Elected To Head Salinas Bar-Culinaries

With 254 votes cast out of about 390 eligible members of Culinary Alliance 467 and Bartender Union 545, Alfred J. Clark was elected as secretary-treasurer-business manager of the new culinary-bartender union for Salinas which will be created through merger of the two unions.

The new union, to be known as Local 355, will be launched on the night of Monday, Oct. 1, when the new charter will be installed and newly-elected officers seated. Place of the meeting is yet to be decided.

Election of Clark was the climax of a long and bitter campaign conducted by the two unions for merger and for the top position in the merged organization. Clark, secretary of Bartenders 545, was opposed by Bertha A. Boles, secretary of Culinary 467.

The election was conducted last Tuesday at the Salinas Labor Temple, with International Representative C. T. McDonough, Special Representative Al Cutler, and State Culinary Council Vice-President J. H. Morgan, of San Jose, in charge.

Clark and the new executive board will select another fulltime business agent for the combined union sometime in October, he said. No indication of the choice has been given.

Elected as first officers of the combined union were the following ("B" denotes member of Local 545 and "C" denotes member of Local 467 at present):

President—Virgil C. Knight (B). Vice-President—Wm. H. Tiny Eakin (B). Secretary-Treasurer-Business

Carp. Auxiliary To Join Hubbies In Picnic Sunday

Ladies Auxiliary 373 of Salinas Carpenters Union 925 met in regular session Tuesday, Sept. 11, in the Carpenters Hall, with Mrs. Donald Halcomb presiding.

Plans for the joint picnic to be held with members of Carpenters Union 925 on Sunday, Sept. 23, were discussed. The picnic will be held at Miller's Lodge in Arroyo Seco.

A turkey donation was planned for November 13 in order to purchase a wheel chair for some veteran in need.

It was also decided by the members to make scrapbooks for the cerebral palsied children in the Ashton School.

An initiation will be held at the next meeting of the Auxiliary on Tuesday, Nov. 9. Mrs. G. A. Nelson, Mrs. Herbert Nelson and Mrs. Irma Cameron will officiate on the committee.

MRS. MARIE BRAYTON, Recording Secretary.

Manager—A. J. Clark (B).

Assistant Business Agent—To be appointed in October.

Recording Secretary—Tina Moore (C).

Investigating Officer—Paul Krueger (B).

Sergeant-At-Arms—Bruce Goodwin (C).

Chaplain—William K. Harmon (B).

Trustees—Alberta Tansey (C), Maxine Miller (C), John Rapacki (B).

Executive Board—A. J. Clark (B), Paul Krueger (B), Vernon Price (C), Vern Tansey (C), L. N. Layne (C), Mildred Roxas (C).

Labor Council Delegates—A. J. Clark (B), George Comeau (C), Walter Hector (B), Merle M. McCoy (B), Margarete Wright (C).

Butchers List Proposals for Wholesale Pact

Four key proposals for improvements in the wholesale industry contracts of Butchers Union 506 in Santa Clara, San Benito, Santa Cruz and Monterey counties were decided upon at an all-day meeting last Saturday of butcher workers employed in wholesale plants of the area.

The slaughter house workers, jobbing house workers, sausage kitchen workers, by-product plant workers, boning plant workers, and service sales drivers, at the mass meeting held in San Jose Labor Temple, agreed that the new contracts should contain:

1. Provision for an increase of \$6 per week for all classifications.
2. New classifications for those employed in boning plants.
3. A four-day workweek for service (sausage) sales drivers, with no deliveries on Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays.
4. Improved working conditions for all groups.

Earl A. Moorhead, executive secretary of the union, said that the contract proposals for the retail industry contracts will be announced next week.

Negotiation of the Santa Cruz retail contract will start September 20. Complete revision of the Santa Cruz pact, in order to make it conform to that elsewhere in Local 506's jurisdiction, will be sought in the coming negotiations.

San Francisco (LPA)—Russell Swanson, financial secretary of the Operating Engineers local, has been named chief union recruiter for this city's civil defense program.

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